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- 25X1 1. The Sylvestr brown coal mine, Sokolov, is located to the west of the main road between Sokolov and Cheb at a point two km. south of Sokolov. Since 1952, the mine has been under joint management with the neighboring Antonin pit. The Sylvestr mine has its own workers' council and pit manager.
- 25X1 This mine is constantly being extended to the southeast.
- 25X1 2. The Sylvestr mine has 150 employees, including 30 women. Work is done in two shifts, but a third shift is used if production norms are not fulfilled. There are no forced laborers or brigade workers, but there are several shock workers in the mine.
- 25X1 3. All the machines are new except one. The cable car line, which is 30 years old, is in good order. There is a double-track railroad line from the mine to the Sokolov station.
- 25X1 4. Output of the mine during the morning and afternoon shifts amounts to 1,800 tons; on the night shift it is 600 tons. Coal is despatched by one cable car line to Kysperk and by another one to the glass works. It is also sent by train to East Germany and to domestic consumers. No surplus stock of coal is retained at the mine.
- 25X1 5. Among the personnel employed at the mine are the following:
- a. Eng. Andreykev (fnu) [redacted]
- b. Dr. Ushanov (fnu) [redacted]
- c. Eng. Machnik (fnu) [redacted]

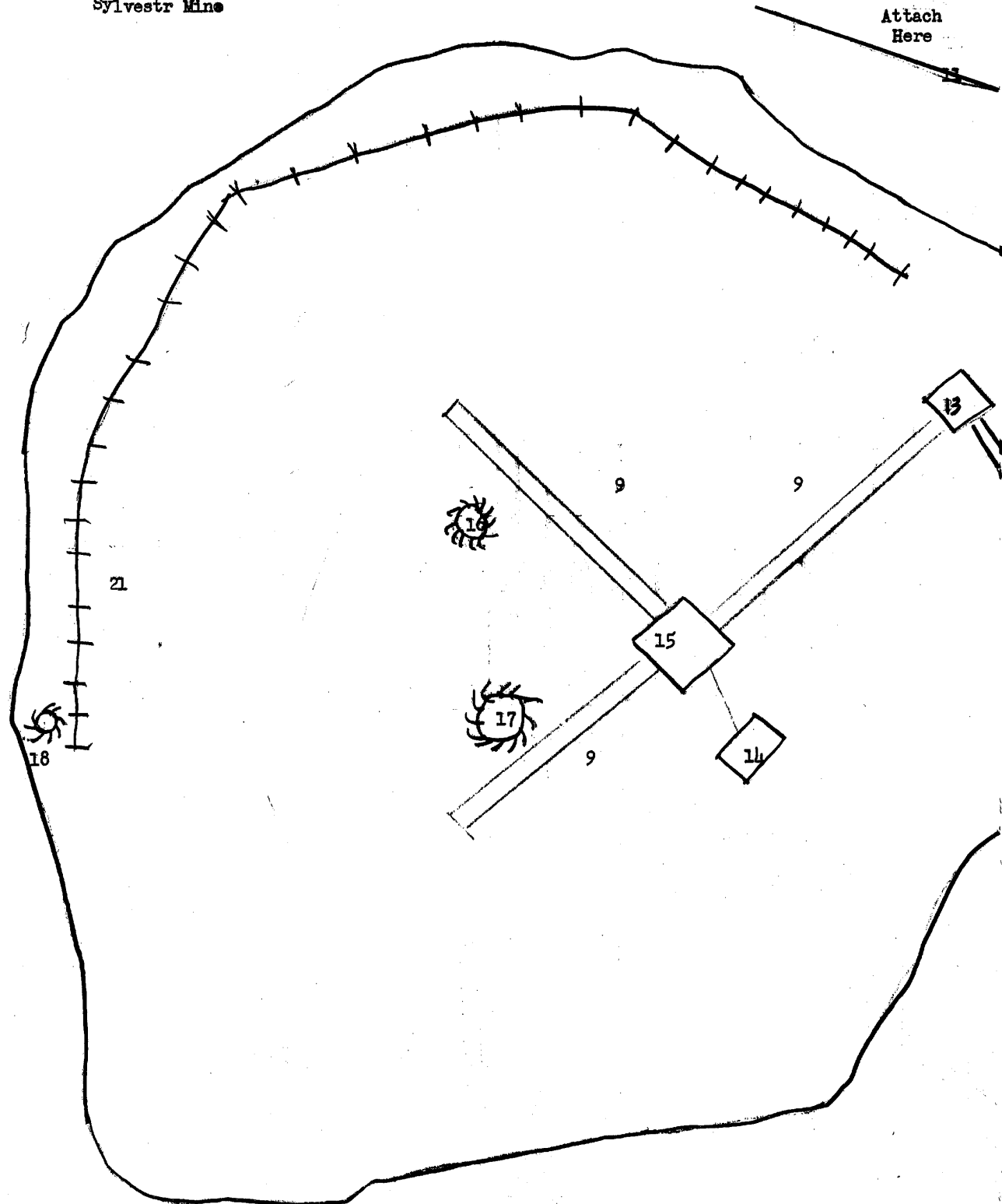
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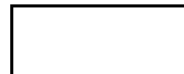
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Legend to sketch of Sylvestr Brown Coal Mine.

1. Guard room (4 x 4 x 3 m.).
2. Offices (26 x 6 x 3 m.).
3. Sorting section (15 x 15 x 12 m.): four old-type sifters from which iron belts lead into the magazine and from there to the cable cars which take coal to the platform (No. 7 on sketch).
4. Briquette works (12 x 12 x 20m.).
5. Cable car from the briquette works to the platform.
6. Double track railroad line to Sokolov Station.
7. Platform (25 x 30 x 5 x 10 x 5 x 5 m.).
8. Station points (6 x 6 x 4 m.).
9. Narrow-gauge railroad line - 60 cm.
10. Transfer station (the coal is transferred to the cable car for Kysperk).
11. Cable car to Kysperk.
12. Main railroad station.
13. Railroad station (narrow-gauge).
14. Canteen (6 x 5 x 4 m.).
15. Main narrow-gauge railroad crossing inside the mine.
16. Drilling machine, Skoda (three years old).
17. Large drilling machine, Skoda (one year old).
18. Drilling machine (about 10 years old).
19. Belt from the sorting section to the briquette works for transporting coal dust.
20. Smithies.
21. Rail spur for transporting earth.
22. Fence.
23. Belt for transporting coal from the platform to the cable cars and glass works.
24. Transfer from the belt to the glass works cable car.
25. Cable car to the glass works.
26. Glass works.
27. Lumber storage and carpenter's shop.
28. Garden in front of Administration building.

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